

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 5617**  
Osamu FUNAHASHI et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2006\_1133A  
Serial No. 10/590,966 : Group Art Unit 2615  
Filed August 29, 2006 : Examiner Huyen D. Le  
SPEAKER : **Mail Stop: AMENDMENT**

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of August 29, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows: